But the free comfort, which from thence he heares:
But he beares both the sentence and the sorrow,
That to pay griefe, must of poore patience borrow.
These sentences to sugar, or to gall,
Being strong on both sides, are equiuocall:
But words are words, I neuer yet did heare,
That the bruis'd heart was pierced through the eare.
Beseech you now, to the affaires of the state.

Du. The *Turke* with most mighty preparation makes for *Cyprus*: *Othello*, the fortitude of the place, is best knowne to you, and tho we haue there a Substitute of most allowed sufficiency, yet opinion, a soueraigne mistresse of effects, throwes a more safer voyce on you; you must therefore be content to slubber the gloss of your new fortunes, with this more stubborne and boisterous expedition.

Oth. The tyrant custome, most graue Senators,
Hath made the flinty and steele Couch of warre,
My thrice-driuen bed of downe: I doe agnize
A naturall and prompt alacrity,
I find in hardnesse, and doe vndertake
This present warre against the *Ottomites*:
Most humbly therefore, bending to your State,
I craue fit disposition for my wife,
Due reference of place and exhibition,
With such accommodation and besort,
As leuels with her breeding.

Du. If you please, bee't at her fathers.

Bra. Ile not haue it so.

Oth. Nor I.

Des. Nor I, I would not there reside,
To put my father in impatient thoughts,
By being in his eye: most gracious Duke,
To my vnfolding lend a gracious eare,
And let me find a charter in your voyce,
T'assist my simplenesse.—

Du. What would you *Desdemona?*

Des. That I did loue the Moore to liue with him,
My downe right violence, and storme of Fortunes,
May trumpet to the world: my hearts subdued,

Euen

Euen to the very qualit
I saw *Othelloes* visage i
And to his Honors, and
Did I my soule and fort
So that deare Lords, if
A Moth of peace, and
The rites for which I lo
And I a heauy interim s
By his deare absence: le

Oth. Your voyces L
Haue a free way:
Vouch with me heauen
To please the palat of
Nor to comply with hea
In my defunct, and prop
But to be free and boun
And heauen defend you
I will your serious and
For she is with me;——
And feather'd Cupid fo
My speculatiue and acti
That my disports corru
Let huswiues make a sk
And all indigne and bas
Make head against my

Du. Be it, as you sha
Eyther for her stay or g
And speed must answere

Des. To night my L

Du. This night.

Du. At nine i'th morn
Othello, leaue some offic
And he shall our Commis
With such things else of
As doth import you.

Oth. Please your Gra
A man he is of honesty a
To his conueyance I assig

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